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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AJO
IMPROVEMENT COMPANY FOR RATE
ADJUSTMENTS IN ITS WATER AND
WASTEWATER RATES

Docket No. SW-01025A-03-0350
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NOTICE OF FILING OF AFFIDAVIT OF
PROOF OF MAILING

Pursuant to the August 11, 2003 Procedural Order, attached is Ajo Improvement
Company's Affidavit of Proof of Mailing notice to its customers.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED October 14, 2003.

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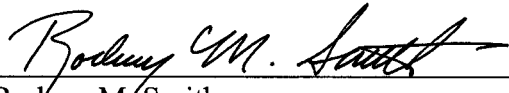
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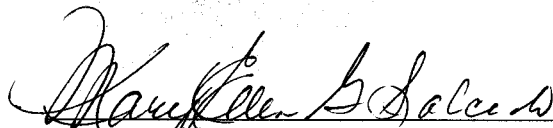
I, Rodney M. Smith, states as follows:

1. I am the Staff Accountant for Ajo Improvement Company in Ajo, Arizona.
2. I certify that, pursuant to the August 11, 2003 Procedural Order in this docket, a copy of the attached notice was included in the September customer billing statements that were mailed via U.S. First-Class Mail to all Ajo Improvement Company customers on October 2, 2003.



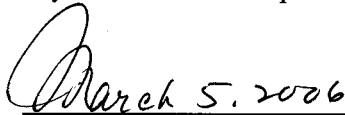
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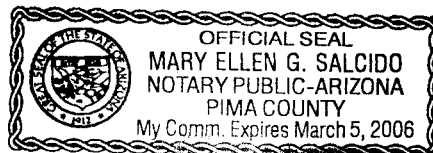


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PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE
RATE APPLICATION OF
AJO IMPROVEMENT COMPANY
Docket No. WS-01025A-03-0350

On May 28, 2003, Ajo Improvement Company ("AIC" or "Company") filed an application with the Arizona Corporation Commission for an approximate 17.3 percent increase in water service revenues and an approximate 163.7 percent increase in wastewater revenues. The actual percentage rate increase for individual customers will vary depending upon the type and quantity of service provided. Copies of the Company's application and proposed tariffs are available at its office and the Commission's offices for public inspection during regular business hours.

The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter beginning April 1, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona. The Commission will hold a public comment meeting on this matter on March 18, 2004, at 6:00 p.m. at the Ajo Community Center, 290 5th Street, Ajo, Arizona. In addition, public comments will be taken on the first day of the hearing.

The law provides for an open public hearing at which, under appropriate circumstances, interested parties may intervene. Intervention shall be permitted to any person entitled by law to intervene and having a direct and substantial interest in the matter. Persons desiring to intervene must file a written motion to intervene with the Commission, which motion should be sent to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record, and which, at the minimum, shall contain the following:

1. The name, address, and telephone number for the proposed intervenor and of any party upon whom service of documents is to be made if different than the intervenor.
2. A short statement of the proposed intervenor's interest in the proceedings (e.g., a customer of the Company, a stockholder of the Company, etc.).
3. A statement certifying that a copy of the motion to intervene has been mailed to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case.

The granting of motions to intervene shall be governed by A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that all motions to intervene must be filed on or before March 25, 2004. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at hearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. However, failure to intervene will not preclude any customer from appearing at the hearing and making a statement on such customer's own behalf. All correspondence should contain the Docket No. WS-01025A-03-0350.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, as well as request this document in an alternative format, by contacting Yvonne McFarlin, ADA Coordinator, voice phone number 602/542-3931, E-mail ymcfarlin@cc.state.az.us. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.